

CLAIM AMENDMENTS

1. (Currently amended) Door lock for a motor vehicle, ~~having an operable driving element and an output element forming~~ comprising:

a locking cylinder having a first axis of rotation,

a coupling member, having a second axis of rotation, used for operating a
closure of the door lock,

~~as well as having~~ a torque transmitting device which connects the ~~driving element~~ locking cylinder with the ~~output element~~ coupling member and which has a bendable shaft section that allows compensation for an offset between the first and second axes of rotation, and

drivers ~~each~~ arranged at the ends of the shaft section, one driver being non-rotatably connected with the ~~driving element~~ locking cylinder and the other driver being non-rotatably connected with the ~~output element~~ coupling member,

wherein the torque transmitting device is constructed in one piece of a plastic material together with its drivers and the flexible shaft section,

wherein the shaft section has at least one cross-sectional weakening extending entirely over the shaft section, and

wherein the cross-sectional weakening is constructed as a depression in the shaft section which extends in a circumferential direction and is one of several cross-sectional weakenings situated behind one another as viewed in an axial direction of the torque transmitting device.

2. (Original) Door lock according to Claim 1, wherein the cross-section of the shaft section is circular.

3. (Original) Door lock according to Claim 1, wherein the cross-section of the shaft section is four-cornered.

4. (Canceled)

5. (Original) Door lock according to Claim 1, wherein the plastic material for the torque transmitting device is essentially inelastic.

6-8. (Canceled)

9. (Currently amended) Door lock according to ~~Claim 4~~ Claim 1, wherein the cross-sectional weakening follows a helical line without interruptions or in an offset manner.

10-11. (Canceled)

12. (Currently amended) Door lock according to ~~Claim 4~~ Claim 1, wherein the cross-sectional weakening is constructed as a groove, particularly an annular groove, or a radial groove, or as a constriction.

13-14. (Canceled)

15. (Currently amended) Door lock according to Claim 9, wherein the cross-sectional weakening is constructed as ~~a groove, particularly~~ an annular groove, ~~or~~ a radial groove, or as a constriction.

16. (Currently amended) Door lock according to ~~Claim 4~~ Claim 1, wherein the cross-sectional weakening is implemented as a breakthrough in the shaft section.

17. (Original) Door lock according to Claim 16, wherein the shaft section is hollow, at least in sections.

18. (Currently amended) Door lock according to ~~Claim 6~~ Claim 1, wherein the depression is constructed as at least one radial groove which extends around in a circumferential direction ~~(UR)~~ but is bounded, and

wherein another radial groove is situated at a distance therefrom as viewed in the circumferential direction ~~(UR)~~.

19. (Canceled)

20. (Currently amended) Door lock according to Claim 18, wherein several radial grooves bounded in the circumferential direction ~~(UR)~~ are situated behind one another in a spaced manner as viewed in the axial direction ~~(AR)~~.

21. (Currently amended) Door lock according to Claim 20, wherein several radial grooves situated at a mutual axial distance are offset with respect to one another in the circumferential direction (~~UP~~).

22-29. (Canceled)